



Chad Stebbins Photo

Dancers take a welcome rest break during "Superdance VI", held last weekend in Young Gymnasium. Almost \$14,000 was raised for the Muscular Dystrophy Association during the 36-hour marathon.

Drop policy kept alive

Missouri Southern's Faculty Senate rejected a motion Monday to eliminate faculty drops of students from classes.

The college's Academic Policies Committee and deans and department heads had recommended that all faculty drops be eliminated. According to present academic regulations: *If a student is absent two class meetings more than the credit hours of the course, the student may be dropped from the course.*

However, if that student is maintaining a grade of "C" or better, he cannot be dropped from the course without his permission.

Under the proposal submitted by the Academic Policies Committee and Dr. Floyd Belk, vice president for academic affairs, those two sentences would be eliminated from the college catalog. After lengthy discussion, the Senate rejected the proposal by an 18-5 vote.

Dr. Keith Larimore, professor of business administration, asked what the motivation was for the proposal. "Is it to avoid the eligibility situation we had last Fall?"

The current drop policy came under fire last Fall when a football player was dropped by an instructor for non-attendance. Southern's football team later had to forfeit a

victory because the player had participated without being enrolled in the required number of credit hours because of the drop.

"I don't think we should change the policy for those who run smack into it," said Dr. Truman Volskay, vice president of the Senate. "I personally believe this policy has done more good than harm over the years. The only student I've ever heard running into trouble was that football player."

Belk pointed out that the proposal had not been recommended unanimously by the Academic Policies Committee and deans and department heads.

"There are several sides to the issue," he said. "It's not cut and dried. There is a legitimate question with this policy."

The current drop policy went into effect in 1976. Prior to that time, the policy stated: *If a student is absent two class meetings more than the credit hours of the course, regardless of the reason, the professor can request that the student be dropped from the course.*

"This is the first problem I've seen with this policy," said Larry Karst, counselor. "Barring last semester, it's stood the test of time. It's been effective over the last decade. I've never had a stu-

dent come to me and complain about being dropped."

Said Gary Mulkey, instructor of mathematics, "I polled faculty members in the science division and 85 percent were against this new proposal. The general consensus is that students can't pass without attending class."

President Donald Darnton defended the elimination of faculty drops. "I don't think the change in policy is a way to avoid what happened last Fall. The new policy treats students as adults and expects them to act as such. Students have to live up to their responsibilities or take the consequences."

After rejecting the drop proposal, the Senate discussed a proposal concerning Emeritus Status of faculty members. Emeritus Status may be bestowed at retirement upon an employee who holds faculty rank. Such status is granted as recognition of extraordinary service to the College over a lengthy period of time.

The Senate voted 12-9 to eliminate the first criterion for selection: "To be eligible for consideration a faculty member must be retiring with a minimum of fifteen years of service at the College."

Gift aids nursing program

The Missouri Southern Foundation has received a gift of \$10,000 from Joplin's three hospitals to aid Southern's nursing program.

"In years past," said Betty Ipock, director of nursing, "we've accepted smaller classes consisting of 14 nursing students a year. With the shortage of registered nurses in the area, we've gradually extended the number of students admitted to 28."

The gift from Freeman, St. John's, and Oak Hill hospitals, will support an additional nursing faculty position. This will allow the nursing program at Southern to maintain an expanded class size.

"At the encouragement of hospital administrators in the Joplin area," said Ipock, "we accepted 35 students in the fall of '81."

The first-year class was expanded from 28 to 35 members in the fall of 1980. An additional faculty member is necessary so that the larger number can be accepted in each new class in the two-year program.

"As the larger class moves into the second year of the program," explained Ipock, "we had to add one additional faculty member so that we could continue to accept

the larger number of students into the classes."

According to Missouri Southern President Donald C. Darnton, private support of college programs is becoming increasingly important because of the reduction of student financial aid made by President Reagan and the college budget cuts imposed by the state.

"Due to the reduced appropriation from the state level," continued Ipock, "it would have been impossible to finance the additional faculty position without local financial support."

Those in the nursing department express their gratitude to the hospitals for their gift.

"The hospital administrators have demonstrated an understanding of our eagerness to continue to meet the health care needs of the community by this generous act," said Ipock.

Also, the Foundation has announced that, from suggestions made by faculty members to the Foundation as a way of enhancing the intellectual climate of the college for students and increasing the skills of the faculty, the Foundation board approved funding for a new College Seminar Series to begin in the fall.

The funding was made possible by the major gift of commercial income property given the Foundation last fall. It will provide for 14 seminars over the next two years.

During the yearly series, each of seven academic departments will be able to bring an expert to campus to work with students and faculty in that major. The series may be renewed at the end of that two-year period.

For the purposes of the series, the college has identified the 14 departments as follows: Biology, communications, English, fine arts, mathematics, physical sciences, social sciences, education, physical education, psychology, business administration, health (nursing and dental), technologies, and public service.

Seven of these departments will receive funding this year, each in the amount of \$800, and the other seven departments will receive funding the following year.

The broad purpose of the seminars is to enrich the intellectual climate for the campus. The visiting seminar leader should focus on interaction with majors and faculty in the field.

A brochure identifying the seminar leaders and their topics will be published this summer.

St. Clair lobbies in D.C.

Annetta St. Clair, assistant professor of political science, met with Missouri senators Thomas Eagleton and John Danforth and Missouri representative Gene Taylor last week in Washington, D.C.

St. Clair was one of 100 educators invited by the National Education Association to discuss the proposed 1983 Reagan administration and its cuts in higher education.

St. Clair said that Eagleton, Danforth, and Taylor were interested in Missouri's budgetary problems. "They do care about higher education," she said. "All three were very receptive."

"I explained to them the budget cuts that were hurting Missouri Southern. We are struggling to keep giving students a quality education with personal attention. Budget cuts make it hard to do."

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Reductions in budget announced

President Donald Darnton announced yesterday where an additional \$35,000 would be trimmed from the college's proposed 1982-83 budget.

When Missouri Southern's Board of Regents recommended a \$290 tuition fee instead of Darnton's \$305 figure, a deficit of \$35,000 incurred.

Funds for cheerleading will be reduced \$1,500. Darnton said that the cheerleaders had built up an inventory of uniforms, making the reduction possible.

The college will save approximately \$20,000 when replacements are hired for Dr. Larry Albright, associate professor of chemistry; Rochelle Boehning, associate professor of mathematics; and Dr. Pudukottai Subramanian, associate professor of mathematics. Those three, and Doug Carnahan, assistant dean of students, will be taking leaves of absence without pay.

"We're taking a gamble here," said Darnton. "We're hoping we can replace those people with entry-level people at less pay."

Southern will save \$7,500 by taking together the Campus Activities Board and Special Events Committee.

'I want to tell things; I want to share,' says Brooks



Richard Williams Photo

Gwendolyn Brooks

By Barb Fullerton

For Gwendolyn Brooks, having "10 poems that survive and have meaning and help someone... is better than writing hundreds of poems [that] do nothing."

The Pulitzer Prize-winning poet was on campus Tuesday for a college lecture and for visiting with classes.

A poet's goal is much like Emily Dickinson's poetry: "[It] stops one heart for meaning," she said.

Brooks has taught poetry classes at Northeastern Illinois State College and at other universities. "I enjoyed teaching and I was able to teach my own way," she said. "But now I like to run around the country and see new places and people. College students are very intelligent and want to learn new things. They are open to reports they haven't experienced in life. They are glad to be told to read books that are interesting."

Her teaching experiences, she says, are much like her poetry: "In my poems I want to tell people things; I want to share."

The rhythm of her poetry, she says, comes from her inner-self. "It's kind of a movement inside yourself. You just don't know what

will go next and so on. It just comes... You don't plan where a line will rise and fall."

She writes her poetry, she says, mostly for reading. "It gives you time to read without interruptions. And you get more out of the reading than if it were interpreted."

Brooks began to write at an early age. When she was 7 she wrote a page of rhymes, and her mother told her she would be the lady Paul Lawrence Dunbar of poetry.

"All of us are poets," Brooks says, "but some do not bother with writing their feelings down. They have experiences to share and anyone could sit down and write."

Langston Hughes, the Joplin-born poet, was one of her inspirations, and so was James W. Johnson who wrote the "Negro National Anthem." But she became her own poet, imitating no one, and as a Black she felt especially that she had much to say.

Brooks explained: "In the late 1960s everyone had a lot to say. Blacks have a lot to say to each other. They urged upon the community feelings to write. No one will help them except themselves."

She was the first Black woman poet to receive the Pulitzer Prize, and about that distinction, she

says: "When we are in Utopia, there will be no more distinction between races." But about the award itself, she adds: "Accept all urges not to live for awards. A book worked on for a course of a decade is for work and enjoyment of it. Don't write for awards. Write for yourself, and for others."

She takes her own advice seriously, and for her, writing is a discipline. "In writing," she says, "I am tireless. I sit down and write my ideas down. Then I revise them again and again until they fit my needs. When I look at my poems that have been published, I think of ways they could have been changed and would have been better. There is something inside of me that tells me when to end a poem and that I have said it all."

She returns finally to the question of why she writes. "Why I want to write is a question asked of me many times," she says. "At one university a young journalist who was also a writer asked me that. I returned the question to her. Her answer was simple: 'I want to tell people.' So the reason I like to write is I want to tell people and share things."

Gwendolyn Brooks "shared things" Tuesday with students at faculty at Missouri Southern.



Joe Angeles Photo

This redbud tree which has recently burst into bloom near Spiva Library is solid evidence of the arrival of spring and a prelude to warmer days to come. And the semester has only four more weeks to go before final examinations!

Pre-registration set for summer and fall

Pre-registration for the summer and fall terms will begin April 12 and continue until April 29, according to Registrar George Volmert.

This pre-registration period is for currently enrolled students at Southern.

Students with 90 or more semester hours of credit, and those who are candidates for the associate degree may pre-register Monday and Tuesday April 12-13.

Students with 60-89 hours pre-register Thursday and Friday, April 15-16.

Students with 30-59 hours pre-register Monday and Tuesday, April 19-20, and students with 0-29 hours pre-register Thursday and Friday, April 22-23.

Verification of schedules is set for Wednesday, April 28, for students who have completed 60 hours or more, and all others may verify their schedules on Thursday, April 29.

Students who wish to pre-register first make an appointment with their adviser for the day they are scheduled to pre-register. On that day they report to the Registrar's Office, Room 100 Hearn Hall, to pick up a permit to enroll and a class schedule. They then meet with the adviser

and fill out the permit to enroll which must be returned immediately after being signed to the Registrar's Office.

During verification week, students report to the second floor of the Billingsly Student Center to receive the computer print-out of their class schedule. At that time adjustments to the schedules may be received.

Students may pre-register for both the summer and fall terms or for one term only on these dates. If the student attends both sessions, both permits to enroll must be returned to the Registrar's Office.

Former students and transfer students may pre-register for the summer term from May 4 until May 20. They report first to the Admissions Office in Hearn Hall.

Former and transfer students may pre-register for the fall semester between May 4 and Aug. 12.

Incoming freshmen may pre-enroll for fall classes according to the following schedule: Those whose last names begin with A-F register Monday, June 21; G-M on Tuesday, June 22; N-S on Wednesday, June 23; and T-Z on Thursday, June 24.

Registrar announces final examination schedule for spring

Final examinations will begin Thursday, May 6, and continue through Tuesday, May 11, according to the examination schedule released this week by the Registrar's office.

The schedule for examinations is as follows:

THURSDAY, MAY 6

All 3, 4 and 5 hour classes that meet regularly at 8 a.m. MWF, Daily, or four times a week will have exams from 8-9:40 a.m.

All 3, 4 and 5 hour classes that meet regularly at 10 a.m. on MWF, Daily, or four times a week will have exams from 10-11:40 a.m.

All 3, 4, and 5 hour classes that

meet regularly at 12 noon on MWF, Daily, or four times a week will have exams from 12 noon until 1:40 p.m.

All 3, 4 and 5 hour classes that meet regularly at 2 p.m. on MWF, Daily, or four times a week will have exams from 2-3:40 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 7

All 2 and 3 hour classes that meet regularly at 8 a.m. on Tuesday and Thursday will have exams from 8-9:40 a.m.

All 2 and 3 hour classes that meet regularly at 11 a.m. on Tuesday and Thursday will have exams from 12 noon until 1:40 p.m.

All 2 and 3 hour classes that meet regularly at 1 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday will have exams from 2-3:40 p.m.

All 2 and 3 hour classes that meet regularly at 2 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday will have exams from 4-5:40 p.m.

MONDAY, MAY 10

All 3, 4, and 5 hour classes that meet regularly at 9 a.m. on MWF, Daily, or four times a week will have exams from 8-9:40 a.m.

All 3, 4 and 5 hour classes that meet regularly at 11 a.m. on MWF, Daily, or four times a week will have exams from 10-11:40 a.m.

All 3, 4 and 5 hour classes that meet regularly at 1 p.m. on MWF, Daily, or four times a week will have exams from 12 noon until 1:40 p.m.

All 3, 4 and 5 hour classes that meet regularly at 3 p.m. on MWF, Daily, or four times a week will have exams from 2-3:40 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 11

All 2 and 3 hour classes that meet regularly at 9 a.m. on Tuesday and Thursday will have exams from 8-9:40 a.m.

All 2 and 3 hour classes that meet regularly at 10 a.m. on Tuesday and Thursday will have exams

from 10-11:40 a.m.

All 2 and 3 hour classes that meet regularly at 12 noon on Tuesday and Thursday will have exams from 2-3:40 p.m.

One hour classes will meet by arrangement with the instructor.

If a student has three or more examinations in one day, the student may petition the appropriate School Dean for a change.

Evening classes will have examinations according to the following schedule:

MONDAY, MAY 10—Monday and Monday-Wednesday evening classes.

TUESDAY, MAY 11—Tuesday

and Tuesday-Thursday evening classes.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5 — Wednesday evening classes.

THURSDAY, MAY 6 — Thursday evening classes.

FRIDAY, MAY 7 — Friday evening classes.

SATURDAY, May 8 — Saturday classes.

With the exception of Friday and Saturday, the College Bookstore will be open from 6 to 8:30 p.m. on the above dates. Any deviations from the evening examination schedule must be approved by the Associate Vice President.

Interviews set by Placement Office

The Placement Office has scheduled three job interviews for the next two weeks.

On Thursday, April 8, Gerald Fletcher of Armour-Dial will interview business majors for sales positions.

On Monday, April 12, Lt. O.Z. Robertson will interview all majors interested in a career with the

navy.

On Thursday, April 15, Dris Crutchfield of Fidelity Union Life will interview all majors interested in sales, sales management and regional staff management responsibilities.

To be eligible for an interview, a person must be a graduate of the

college, or a December, 1981, or a May, 1982, graduate, and must have credentials on file with the Placement Office.

Interviews are conducted in the Placement Office, room 207 of the Billingsly Student Center, and appointments may be made by signing up in the Placement Office.

SENATE AGENDA

Following is the agenda for the Faculty Senate meeting on April 5, 1982:

I. Approval of Minutes
II. Old Business
A. Committee on Committees Amendment to the Constitution to provide greater continuity within Committees of the Faculty Senate.

B. Academic Policies Committee

1. 81-92:11 Miscellaneous Curriculum Policies

2. 81-82:12 Nursing Department Course Change

3. 81-82:13 Revision of Automotive Technology Curriculum

C. Senate Committee Reports

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April fools! No fooling!

By Anita Pride

Today is April Fool's Day—a fun day for most, but a terror for those who seem to constantly be caught in the web of practical jokes.

April Fool's Day is the least publicized of all holidays. This is partially due to the fact that on this particular holiday the only flowers to be sent are ones with hidden squirting mechanisms, and greeting cards are scarce and far-fetched.

According to the *Encyclopedia Americana*, it is believed that the custom of playing someone for a fool first began in France in 1564 with the adoption of the reformed calendar. Any person who resisted changing New Year's Day from April 1 to Jan. 1 was victimized by pranksters.

These individuals became known as "poisson d'avril" (April fish). It is said that they were called this particular name either because this was the time the sun was leaving the zodiacal sign of Pisces, or because of the fact that April fish

are easily caught.

One of the most common practical jokes played on small children on April Fool's Day is the worn-out story of "your shoelace is untied." Another prank played by youngsters is putting a "Kick Me" sign on the back of a foe's shirt or seat of the pants.

What about the pranks of the average practical jokes—the college student? Through an anonymous survey the findings are unbelievable and could be in the makings for today.

Some students reflected on pranks that had happened to them on previous April Fool's Days. In one instance, a student was shocked to find a "For Sale" sign taped to her car window. Others had been caught by teachers proclaiming that it was time for a pop quiz. The quiz usually ended with the exclamation "April Fools!"

Other students have done or are in the process of preparing themselves for different pranks. Don't be surprised to discover BeeBee's in your tube of toothpaste, or your

various articles of clothing hung up in the lost and found.

Watch out for buckets of water falling as you open a door today, and don't be surprised when you're awakened late tonight by a fire alarm. Also be prepared to wake up tomorrow and find out that you can't get your door open since somehow during the night your "friends" tied it shut.

Some people use April Fool's Day to get back at that certain individual they have patiently tolerated all year long. Others look upon this day as a way to learn to cope with life's little blunders by laughing at themselves and life in general, even though these certain blunders were caused by pranksters.

April Fool's Day may be summed up best by the poem titled "Herself the Elf."

April Fool's Day
is full
of laughter...
Except when
You're the one
They're after!



Clinic offers service

Family Planning Clinic which is located in the Freeman Building at 20th and Sergeant Streets offers a variety of services to students and the community.

Among the services provided by the clinic are health examinations, health supplies in fertility, counseling, information, and referral services to private physicians, family self-help centers, Crisis Intervention, and local health departments (such as Jasper County health and Joplin City health) for prenatal assistance, and also the Ozark Mental Health Services.

"New participants are enrolled on Mondays and Thursdays from 8 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. They can come in at any time on these two days and we will set up an appointment for an examination," said Vickie Todd, educational director.

Each new member is to have a physical examination and is to go to the health education classes, which teach how to care for one's body, and to check for abnormalities.

Family Planning Clinic is a fairly new addition to this area. "It has been in the area since 1972, and initially served only the Joplin area but now serves Newton and McDonald counties as well," stated Bill Richardson, program

planner.

Family Planning Clinic is a non-profit organization, and is funded by Title 10 Grant, Health and Human Services, and the patients are charged according to their income. Special rates are offered to students.

"Our target is low income women of child bearing age, but we offer services to anyone," said Richardson. Men are also welcome although they are not using the services at this time.

Family Planning Clinic is expecting to experience a 35 percent reduction in its program.

"We would like to encourage you to let your congressmen and representatives know that you would like to see the Family Planning Services continue. Family Planning is the most cost efficient dollar the federal government spends," commented Todd.

If the 35 percent reduction in the program actually occurs, there will be a reduction in many benefits of which many people are not aware.

"It's hard to measure the sociological benefits, but child abuse, unwanted children, teenage pregnancies, and the social stigma of venereal diseases are among the things realized in a program like this," stated Richardson.

Scabies is a skin disease caused by the burrowing of the female *Sarcoptes scabiei*, or "itch mite."

"I have been very aware of it in the college community for at least five years," said Irma Hartley, Southern's nurse.

"It is no big problem right now. We have about the same number of cases each year."

Students should not become alarmed, but should be aware of the situation.

Although it usually appears as dark wavy lines in tight skin folds, and itches mostly at night, any type of itchy rash should be treated with precaution.

Nurse Hartley commented, "It is very easily cured, but it needs to be

taken care of because of its contagious abilities."

No one is discriminated against by the "itch mite." Everyone is susceptible to its condition.

"It used to be a misconception about personal hygiene," she informs, "but anyone can pick it up. It is transferred through personal contact, even with infested animals."

Although scabies can be contracted from clothing, bed linens, and other personal articles, it is unlikely. This is because the mite doesn't live long, off of the human host.

Extreme care must be taken in treating this disease. It must be handled by a physician.

"It can not be cured by any over-

the-counter drug," says Hartley.

Cases have been reported in Joplin for many years. Once established in a community it is very hard to be rid of due to its contagiousness.

Scabies is no new problem, mankind has been plagued with it for thousands of years.

Crowded conditions are favorable to the "itch mite." Outbreaks are especially common during wars.

After mating on the skin's surface, the male dies and the female begins her tunneling and egg laying. She then dies, also.

Once the larvae reach adulthood the cycle is repeated continuously, even though the life expectancy is only about five weeks after maturation.

Scabies: cause for concern

Forum to feature candidates next week

Southern's College Republicans with the College Activities Board is sponsoring a forum for Jasper county candidates, both Democrats and Republicans, in the Billingsly Student Center Lions' Den, Monday through Friday of next week, from 10 a.m. until noon each day.

The forum is for students to become informed of the candidates and to hear stands they have.

Speeches will last from 15 to 20 minutes each, and there are different candidates scheduled each day.

On Monday, William Fleischer, prosecuting attorney; Steve Holt, candidate for circuit court clerk; and Rick Copeland, associate judge circuit division 5, will speak.

Tuesday's speakers will include Judge M. Keithley Williams, associate circuit court division; Mark Rhea, candidate for county court judge, western district; Lorene Lane, candidate for county auditor; and Roy Wasson, candidate for circuit clerk.

On Wednesday, R.E. "Jeff" Davis, county clerk; Bill Hughlett,

county collector; Judge Chuck Teel, associate judge circuit court division 3; and Vesta Braham, county recorder, are scheduled.

Thursday's speakers will be David Robards, public defender running for prosecuting attorney; Harold Michaels, county auditor running for circuit court; Edward England, candidate for county auditor; and Judge Herbert Casteel, presiding judge, circuit court, division 1.

Friday's speakers include Rep. William Webster, 127th district; Judge Byron Fly, presiding judge,

county court; and Shirley Norris, chief deputy auditor running for auditor.

"We're really excited and hope it goes over well," said Tracy Fasken, vice president of the College Republicans.

"The College Republicans have been on campus for several years. It is in a rebuilding year this year with 12 members. It is just for college students and it meets on the second and fourth Mondays at 7 p.m.," said President Lynn McAllister.

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Senate votes to change constitution

Student Senate last night approved a petition to amend its constitution. The original resolution proposed to do away with class officers and to streamline the Senate from 36 to 24 members.

After discussion though, the Senate amended the resolution to propose doing away with class officer titles but keeping the number of student senators at 36.

The petition will be voted on in a general campus election April 21.

Senate appropriated \$250 to Lambda Beta Phi sorority for its annual award banquet. Senate also approved \$250 to Phi Kappa Delta to attend a national convention in Columbia this weekend. PKD is a national debate society.

Evelyn Gabbert, senator, sub-

mitted a resolution for Senate to finance a trip by the Student Senate to see the Missouri General Assembly in session. Cost was estimated at less than \$1,000.

After adjournment, yearbook pictures were taken, and senators went to the home of President Donald Darnton for a Senate-faculty get-together.

Nominations due for faculty awards

Nominations are currently being accepted for two annual teaching awards funded by the Missouri Southern Foundation. Alumni, students, and faculty may nominate current members of the faculty as "Outstanding Teacher" and "Outstanding Teacher of a Freshman Class."

Alumni wishing to make a nomination may send the teacher's name and a statement about the nominee's qualities to Missouri

Southern State College, Campus Box 78, Newman and Duquesne Roads, Joplin, Mo. 64801. The statement may be as extensive as the writer wishes and must be signed.

Current students may find nomination forms in the Business Administration Building, Billingsly Student Center, Reynolds Hall, Spiva Library, Hearnes Hall, the Fine Arts Complex, and Taylor Hall. Blue forms are for the general teaching award; green forms are

for the teachers of freshman classes (those classes which are numbered less than 200).

Nominations should be completed and placed in campus mail box 78 no later than April 9.

An award of \$1,000 will be given to each of the two faculty members selected.

To be eligible a faculty member must be teaching at least six credit hours a semester and must be in at least the third year of teaching at Missouri Southern.

Gaumer receives award

Cadet Lt. Col. David Gaumer has received the George C. Marshall Research Foundation Award, a top national award for the Army ROTC program. Gaumer was selected from among 600 cadets in the ROTC programs at Southwest Missouri State University, the regional host school, and Evangel College and Missouri Southern extension centers of the SMSU program.

The award is given to one outstanding cadet selected from each of 250 host college and univer-

sity AROTC programs around the country. Gaumer's selection marks the first time the award has been given to a Missouri Southern cadet.

Gaumer is a sociology major from Collinsville, Ill., and will be commissioned in May as a Second Lieutenant in the Army Reserve Field Artillery. He received the Distinguished Military Student award at Southern last year. He is also Commander of the Pershing Rifles and is Corps Commander.

Jog-a-Thon starting times set

Starting times for Saturday's Jog-A-Thon, held in Fred Hughes Stadium:

2 p.m.—Football, Athletic Trainers, Women's Athletics, RB's, Cheerleaders, Olympic Racquetball Club.

3 p.m.—SME, SADHA, Pershing Rifles, Joplin Assoc. of Ins. Women, Parkwood Beta Club, Family Self Help Center, BB's, Pilot Club, Computer Science, Joplin Roadrunners, Coach Frazier (group).

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Senate takes strong step

For the first time in recent months, Missouri Southern's Faculty Senate took a strong step forward Monday by rejecting the proposal concerning faculty drops.

Dr. Bill Ferron, who has served as the Faculty Senate president since the resignation of Dr. Robert Markman, said that he was "very impressed with the discussion." Ferron has the right to be pleased, having worked very hard to correct the Senate's shortcomings. Many faculty members had questioned what the role and scope of the Senate really was.

Markman cited the Senate's lack of influence and ineffectiveness as the primary reasons for his resignation. The Senate's power had been at an all-time low. But Monday it banded together and overwhelmingly defeated the new proposal. It would have been easy for the group to merely echo the opinion of the Academic Policies Committee, which recommended the new policy.

Let's look at the faculty drop policy. The old policy had more than adequately served the college since 1969. Students could expect to be dropped if they did not attend a class; it was stated in the college catalog. Then one athlete tried to take advantage of the system. He was caught, but his teammates and coaches were unjustly punished. Everyone started pointing to the policy as being the culprit; not the athlete. Groups demanded the permanent elimination of the policy. It would have died had it not been for the Faculty Senate.

The Senate must now move forward instead of backward. Monday's action should give it the confidence it desperately needed. A strong Senate is instrumental for the continued development of Missouri Southern.



Others declare war

Student Senates at the University of Missouri-Columbia, Northeast Missouri State, Northwest Missouri State, Southeast Missouri State, and Central Missouri State have declared war on President Reagan's proposed cuts in student financial aid.

Students must speak out now or lose as much as 50 percent in aid for 1982-83. If the Reagan administration can learn of the displeasure on campuses across the nation, the funding might stay intact.

Will Missouri Southern's Student Senate join in this fight for higher education?

Nominate today!

Students, faculty, and alumni of Missouri Southern should take advantage of the opportunity to nominate faculty members for the "Outstanding Teacher Awards."

A faculty member can earn no greater honor than the admiration of students and peers. Often, students will not realize the impact faculty members have had on their lives until they leave college. Faculty members are professionals in every sense of the word. Serving students is their number one priority.

The award should not become a popularity contest. Nominate the teacher who has meant the most to you; not the ones who gave you the best grades. Students usually do very little to repay faculty members for their hard work and devotion. Nominating your favorite teacher would be one small way.

In Perspective:

Budget cutbacks do not mean less quality

By Dr. Donald Darnton

Throughout the winter, the deans, vice presidents and I focused much of our attention on rebudgeting for the year ahead. Since the Board of Regents acted to set incidental fees, that topic claims much less of our time and energy, although we still strive for favorable treatment by the Legislature and Governor as they determine our appropriation.

The Mission Statement is something that is always before us. It sets the direction in which the College is heading: "to be the best undergraduate college that we can be." The focus is on quality educational service to southwestern Missouri. All of us—students, faculty and staff—have roles in that mission.

The Long Range Planning Committee with help from faculty and staff throughout the campus is undertaking a comprehensive program review. The purpose is to lead the College to do a better job of serving educational needs. Program review looks for quality, for program strengths that we can emphasize, for weaknesses that need attention, and, by extension, for new programs to serve unmet needs.

Some people have trouble with talking about and pursuing quality in the midst of fiscal austerity. "Cutting back" or "holding the line" is seen as demoralizing. It's demoralizing only if we permit it to be! Doing something better does not always mean spending more money. It may demand more ingenuity, more imagination to do something better without additional dollars, but often it can be done. In some cases, quality enhancement may require funds; but if the particular purpose is important enough, new funds may be obtainable or monies can be reallocated.

There are many examples of the pursuit of quality that surround us on campus. Nominations are being received for the outstanding teaching awards.

Students are well aware that some faculty have made a special impact on them, have influenced them in ways that will affect them throughout their lives. Faculty know those colleagues who have a special touch. Think about the faculty and respond to quality by a nomination for one or both of these awards.

Outstanding achievement by students will be recognized at the Honors Convocation on April 28. Faculty are selecting those to be honored. As they review and evaluate the accomplishments of their students, faculty focus their attention on quality. Can that process do more than select those to be honored? Can it yield clues to steps that we might take to increase the likelihood of similar success in other students?

One of our students, David Gaumer, has received the George C. Marshall ROTC Award. Mr. Gaumer is one of 300 ROTC students across the country to receive this award, and later this month he will spend a week at the Virginia Military Institute in Lexington, Virginia, for special study and recognition of his outstanding achievements. We have quality. How can we nurture more and more students so that they will succeed and receive similar recognition in their fields?

Recently, the Missouri Southern Foundation announced its support to establish a College Seminar Series for the purpose of enriching the intellectual climate of the campus. Seven departments will host seminar speakers in 1982/83. Those experts will come to campus to meet with faculty and students and to challenge them with different insights and ideas about their disciplines. In various ways at various times faculty and students have expressed their hope for something of this sort. As a result of a major gift, the Foundation has been able to respond to that desire for quality. Private support through

the Missouri Southern Foundation will be an asset in our pursuit of quality. The success of the seminar series will depend upon the faculty in the several departments, as they select the speakers and plan each visit. The administration's role has been to pull the concept together into a package that could attract support.

The Children's Theatre has been a part of Missouri Southern for years. The theatre faculty have been concerned about the future of the program. They're dedicated to high quality for that special form of theatre and are exploring ways to expand the scope and continue the quality of what is offered. What the program will be depends upon the faculty and students, and their attention is focused upon content and quality. To accomplish their goals will require administrative support, but not necessarily in the form of dollars. It is a joint undertaking to achieve a common goal.

These illustrations are only a sample of what is happening on campus. Yes, we would like more resources. It would be easier to move in the direction set forth in the Mission Statement if funds were abundant. But, additional dollars are not a prerequisite to moving ahead. What is essential is that we, personally and individually, adopt that mission, because, then, our belief in ourselves will drive us to find ways to achieve it.

As the Mission Statement points out, quality is everyone's job. It results from what and how the faculty teach and how they excite students to pursue knowledge. It results from the study and participation by students—their investment in their own future. It results from the leadership and support both groups receive from the administration. Each of us has a responsibility for the quality of Missouri Southern, and each of us will reap the benefits of the quality which we create.



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Liberal arts leads to jobs, too, says Darnton

By John Baker

Deciding to attend a technical school, an institute of higher education, or some other educational facility (vocational or professional) depends upon where the student places his career sights.

Almost all students share the common goal of preparing themselves for a career. Only a minority are fulfilling a personal need for education, and in satisfying that need a career preparedness is still obtained.

Defining what a liberal arts college is difficult. There is no strict definition or list of courses to go by. Nevertheless, some distinction can be made.

Using Southern as an example President Donald Darnton suggested this analogy, "We are a multi-purpose institution, not limited to the liberal arts. A liberal arts college is a single purpose institution."

Over the years, liberal arts schools have grown and changed to accommodate the student and his interests.

"The pure liberal arts school

does not serve the total needs of the student; schools have responded by recognizing certain career interests," explained Darnton.

An example of this move toward the career interests of the student is the general trend away from economy and into business.

Solving the needs of students has brought the liberal arts and multi-purpose institutions closer together.

Today, liberal arts schools are most often found within the structure of the university or college, rather than operating as a college by itself.

Just as the business school of the college strives to prepare the student for a career in business, the arts and science school also readies the student for careers.

Those who are enrolled for personal want of education are learning skills that are essential in the job market, even if that is not the student's goal.

Vocational and technical schools offer more of a job training program, whereas the multi-purpose institution goes beyond this job preparedness aspect.

Liberal arts and the multi-purpose institution allow the student to look beyond his field.

Allowing the student an opportunity to familiarize himself with the arts is an important role of the higher education institution.

The ability to understand and participate in the liberal arts is a necessity for a society to thrive.

Higher education institutions offer one bonus that was not recognized in the 60's.

"Education is a continuing thing; you can move in and out of the job market and expand on an associate's degree," commented the president.

Financial stability can also affect the student's decision of where to obtain his education and what type of field to go into.

This can be an advantage of the higher education institution when the student is looking for a more complete education.

As in the case of expanding the two year degree: the money might only last for that length of time, when later, after working awhile, enough money might be saved to obtain a four year degree.



Prospects: Placement officers have overrated opportunities for spring graduates

By College Press Service

Forecasts of the job prospects for this term's graduates are turning out to have been "excessively optimistic," placement officers around the country report.

A significant number of companies that promised to hire this spring have cancelled their plans, leaving extraordinarily long student lines at many placement centers.

The placement officers add the only reason the number of on-campus interviews is keeping close to earlier predictions is a boom in college hiring by defense-related industries.

"Competition (among students) is up and recruitment (by companies) is down," says Ava Sellers, placement director at Vanderbilt.

"Lines are forming two hours before sign-ups begin," adds William Mitchell, who directs placement services at Cal State-Sacramento. "The recruiters are having a ball."

A record 50 percent of Yale's

1982 grads signed up for campus interviews this spring.

"I think there was excessive optimism from industry this time," summarizes Victor Lindquist, who helps administer the influential Endicott Report on American business' campus hiring plans and who is placement director at Northwestern.

He blames the changes in hiring plans on rocky economic times in the retailing, metals and oil industries.

"The basic metals industries are usually heavy recruiters, and they are barely holding their own this year," Lindquist observes. "The oil industry, which has had enormous growth the last few years, has had to pull back this year in response to falling gas prices. They are traditionally heavy recruiters, and it has caught many by surprise."

Virginia Benfield, manager of college recruiting for Texaco, Inc., confirms that "last year, no one in the industry expected the economy to be this bad."

She anticipates "our hiring will

fall short of our projections."

The continuing problems of the auto industry have also depressed campus recruiting, especially in the midwest.

"Some of our regulars are tied to the automotive industry, and that has been a problem," says Pat Markle of Western Kentucky University. "Some of our regulars just aren't hiring, and some of the recruiters who set up dates to interview have had to call and cancel."

The military itself has stepped up recruiting, especially of liberal arts majors. But Mitchell says that student desires "for something a little more glamorous than the armed forces" has inspired a renewed interest in other government agencies. "Applications to the CIA are way, way up."

CIA recruitment chief Charles Jackson confirms "we are very actively recruiting."

When it comes to liberal arts majors, "we're trying to widen our net a little." But "someone with a general background needs the best

G.P.A. and must be a top-of-the-line student."

Student job competition seems to be stiffer in all fields. Because of rising unemployment among older workers, Lindquist thinks "it's valid to say students will be competing with a greater number of older, experienced job seekers this year."

But "the advantage goes to the kids, whose education in new technologies makes them more current in the marketplace."

M.I.T. Placement Director Robert Weatherall agrees, saying mobility is the major competitive edge students have.

"Often a person with a mortgage and a family can't afford to move. But all that a student generally needs is a damage deposit and a U-Haul trailer."

But Lindquist warns stiffer competition requires students to adopt "a whole new perspective on the recruitment process. The days are gone when they can throw as much bullshit on the wall as they can, and wait to see what sticks."

By Ava Majjala

Franklin Technical School has occupational opportunities for all ages. Today an equal amount of students enroll in technical training schools as enroll in a four-year college or university.

The basic philosophy for attending a technical training school is quick graduation, reduced cost, and immediate job placement. In addition, many people choose a technical school because they feel liberal arts are not important and will never be used on the job.

Franklin Technical School of Joplin is an example of an educational occupational opportunity. Franklin Tech offers three full-time classes: Auto mechanics, air-conditioning and refrigeration, and licensed practical nursing. Both day and evening classes are available. The courses meet daily for six hours and are completed in 12 full months.

The most popular course is the LPN training class which is limited in enrollment. This is unusual at Franklin, because the most popular time for classes is the evening and the LPN course is offered only during the day.

Students may enroll in Franklin at any time of the year because it is not on a semester schedule. Craftsman in airconditioning and refrigeration or auto-mechanics may take later advanced classes.

People of all ages, some already employed, attend Franklin Tech. Average age for students at Tech is 25. Tuition is \$950 for one year, excluding supply fees. Courses have varying supply fees. The total cost to attend could be as high as \$2,500 a year.

"Based on individual preference, technical schools can be quite beneficial," says Jan Brimm, an employee of the school. "Due to the time involved, money and personal training, many people feel technical schools are better than other types of training. In a year a student has completed his training and can go directly into a job in his field."

Agencies offer avenue for some

By Sherry Grissom and Anita Pride

Employment agencies are now entering their busiest time of the year. In most cases, fees for the agencies are based on the client's salary or by the applying company's commission.

Gary Flenner, a recruiter with the Advancement Employment Agency, explained the process of a search recruiter agency.

"What we do is we go out to the individual and the business world," said Flenner, "by phone, some call us, and we make contacts and get a job description such as to what the company is looking for in an individual."

An Advancement agent then goes and finds that individual and makes an introduction with the company as soon as the individual is recruited.

Fees to Advancement are based on one percent per \$1,000 of the company's proposed yearly income of the employee. The fees are paid by the company.

Flenner explains, "It is a one-time fee. Our expenses are pretty high. It may sound expensive to a company, but there's not that much profit left after our expenses."

Business at Advancement increases in the spring. In the winter, business is at its lowest. People tend to stick in a job during the Christmas holiday expenses.

"We work all over the country. Calls come from everywhere and we make calls all over the country," said Flenner. "One recruiter makes about 30 contacts a day, and with five recruiters, that's 150 phone contacts in a day's time."

General Employment Agency has been in operation for 35 years. General's fees are based on the first month's salary of the client.

"The applicant's pay is one-third

of their first month's salary, and they pay us as they get paid," said Sue Rodters, manager of General. "Some companies do pay the fee also."

Spring, usually near high school and college graduations, is General's busiest period. Rodters said that people want to keep their jobs in the later fall and winter, especially in the month of December.

"We're a private agency," said Rodters. "We don't solicit business. It's the same old law of supply and demand."

Midwest Employment Agency, under the ownership of Brenda Smith, who is also an employment counselor at the agency, is also a private employment agency. Midwest has been in business for five years.

"We are a full-time employment agency," explained Smith. "We handle every phase of employment. We work from part-time, temporary, secretarial, and labor all the way up to degreed engineers."

Fees are sometimes paid by the inquiring company by tax deductible commissions, but they are usually paid with the applicant's first month salary.

"Fees are arranged through a percentage of the salary of our client's new position," replied Smith. "An employee with a job paying minimum wage will pay us seven percent of their gross yearly earnings. With jobs of more than \$10,000 gross earnings, the client pays 10 percent."

Midwest has employment on file for minimum wage salaries to \$50,000-a-year jobs. Smith, as do other employment agents, try to help clients get their foot in the door.

"We're their in-between. We present them (the applicants) in a flowery way," explained Smith. "They already have a head start when they work through us."

Placement Office aids in job search

By Gary Estes

The Career Planning and Placement Office of Missouri Southern offers more than just a location for seniors to file credentials.

Lorine Miner, director of the Placement Office, says, "Our main objective is to help graduating students find permanent employment."

For the 1980-81 year, the Placement Office conducted 43 interviews with various businesses, industries, government, and service employers. Approximately 10 to 15 students signed up for each interview.

Education and business administration majors were the most

frequent utilizers of the interviews," says Miner, "but we did have several employers who interviewed all majors interested. Most employers and students do not let us know whether employment was obtained or not."

One of the best resources for measuring the success of Southern graduates in the job market is the Career Planning and Placement Center Annual Report. This report summarizes activities for a curriculum year and is an insight into career opportunities.

In looking at this report, a student can tell that of the 491 graduates of 1980-81, some 380 are now employed, 63 are continuing education, six are in the military,

and 33 are unemployed.

From looking at the distribution of baccalaureate and associate degrees, a student learns how well graduates fared with certain degrees.

The annual report breaks all degree types down into their special field of study. It lists the company names at which the employed graduates are working, but it does list whether their position is full or part-time, and if their position is related to their field.

Whether a student seeks employment through peers, parents, agencies, advertisements, or the Placement Office, it is helpful to know any piece of information that is available.

'80-'81 Career Planning and Placement Survey

Degree	#	Employed	Unemployed	Cont. Ed.	Military	No Info.	Available
BA	45	30	4	11	0	0	0
BS	178	133	12	22	6	5	5
BSE	133	116	9	6	0	2	2
BGS	11	7	0	4	0	0	0
AA	7	3	0	4	0	0	0
AS	117	91	8	16	0	2	2

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Lady Lions. . .

Championship try ends in tears, but with pride



The dream ended in tears of defeat. Missouri Southern's bid for the NAIA women's national basketball championship was overturned by Southwestern Oklahoma 80-45 at Kansas City's Kemper Arena.

Although there wasn't reason to smile after the crushing blow, the Lady Lions could be proud of their performance in the national tournament. Southern, seeded sixth in the eight-team field, raced past No. 3 Charleston, W. Va., 74-65 in the opening round. Coach Jim Phillips' club then upset No. 2 Berry (Ga.) College 59-57 to earn a berth in the finals.

Fantastic, super, and terrific are words Phillips uses to describe the Lions' season. Southern, finishing 23-13, captured the District 16 and Area 4 championships for the first time in its history to reach the national tournament.

"It was more than anybody ever expected," said Phillips. "The tribute has to go to the girls. They just had a super attitude all season."

Senior center Pam Brisby was named NAIA All-American after the tournament's conclusion. She has also been nominated for the Women's Basketball Coaches Association All-American team.

Brisby, named to the all-tournament squad, set tournament records of 64 points, 36 rebounds, and 25 field goals. Her 34 points, 21 rebounds, and 16 field goals against Charleston was a single-game tournament mark. Brisby finishes her Southern career as the leading scorer (1,728) and rebounder (1,139).

Senior guard Brenda Pitts was named to the all-tournament second team. The 5-foot-2 Pitts also earned the tournament's hustle award for her scrap performances.

Against Southwestern Oklahoma, the Lady Lions never could get untracked. The Bulldogs, 34-0, jumped to a 20-4 lead in the first eight minutes. Southern cut the deficit to 26-13, but could get no closer. With Brisby on the bench with three personal fouls, Southwestern opened a 36-15 margin. The Oklahomans led 40-19 at halftime.

Southern got within 44-27, but Brisby soon picked up her fourth foul. The Bulldogs commanded a 62-28 spread with 10:13 remaining. Brisby fell to the floor hard with 2:48 to play and had to be carried from the

arena on a stretcher. She spent the night in a Kansas City hospital for observation.

"Southwestern just gave us a good, old-fashioned whipping," said Phillips. "I think we were tired. The aura of the whole tournament was so physically and mentally demanding. Our girls had never been there before."

"I don't think Southwestern was that much better than us. Their coach told me that they played their best game of the season against us. We panicked and took shots we shouldn't have taken. You still can't convince me that Berry College wasn't as good as Southwestern."

Southwestern freshman Kelli Litsch was named the tournament's most valuable player. "She could be the best player in the country," said Phillips. "When I coaching at Virginia State, we played against Nancy Lieberman of Old Dominion when she was a freshman. Litsch was much better than Lieberman."

Southern held off a late comeback by Berry in the semifinals. Brisby's jump shot from inside the lane with 17 seconds left provided the margin of victory. The Lady Lions had held a 42-28 lead with 15:13 left to play, but Berry scored with 38 seconds remaining to knot the score at 57-all.

"Berry might have been a little over-confident," said Phillips. "I think they were taking us a little lightly. Berry didn't have as much discipline as us. They might have had as much talent as Southwestern, though."

Berry, 29-3, had blasted California Baptist 102-65 in its opening contest to set a tournament scoring record.

The Lady Lions withstood a late Charleston challenge in posting their opening victory. Southern, which once led 34-18, saw its lead dwindle to 61-59 with 4:07 to play.

Phillips feels it will be hard for the Lions to repeat their success next season. "I'm not making any predictions, but it will be extremely tough for us to do as good. We're losing three seniors (Brisby, Pitts, and Lisa Mitchell)."

Southern will hold a tryout for 30 prospective recruits Saturday morning. The women's athletic banquet is scheduled for April 22 at Twin Hills.

NAIA All-Tournament Selections:

First Team:

Pam Brisby, Missouri Southern
Kelli Litsch, Southwestern Okla.
Anita Foster, Southwestern Okla.
Martha Moss, Berry College
Diane Dockus, Saginaw Valley

Second Team:

Brenda Pitts, Missouri Southern
Chelly Belanger, Southwestern Ok.
Karen Kemp, Berry College
Lynette Royer, Saginaw Valley
Beverly Sanders, Saginaw Valley

Most Valuable Player: Kelli Litsch

Hustle Award: Brenda Pitts

Sportsmanship Award: Berry College



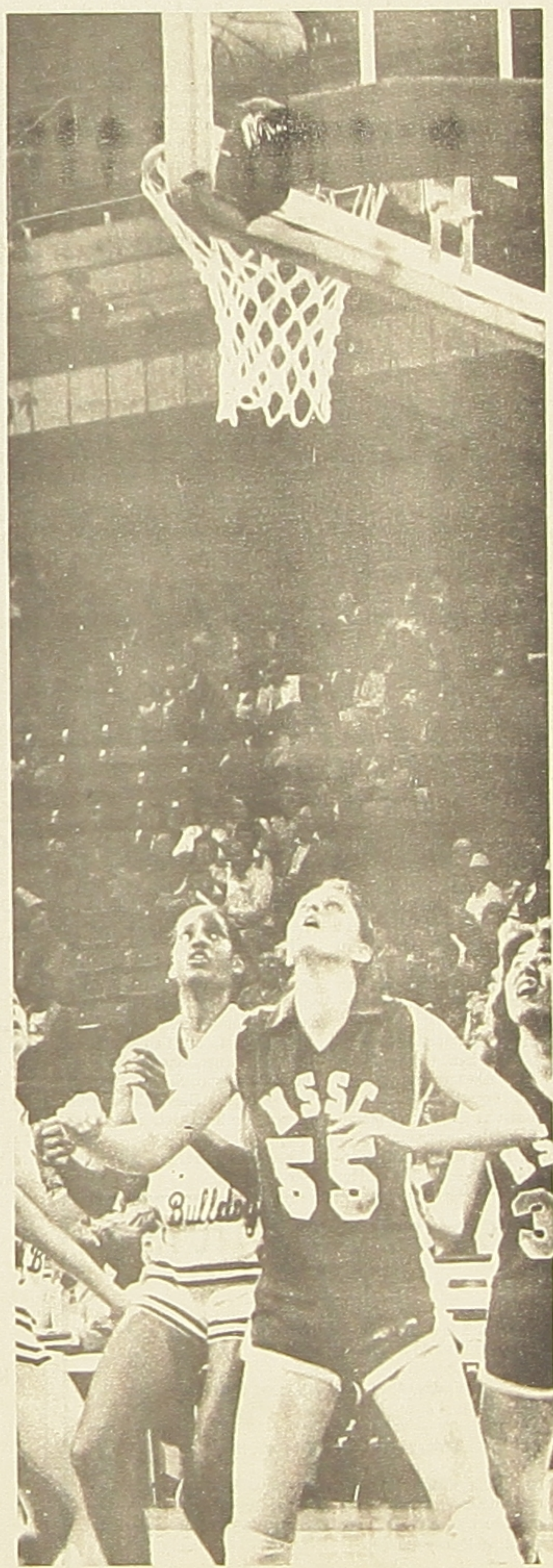
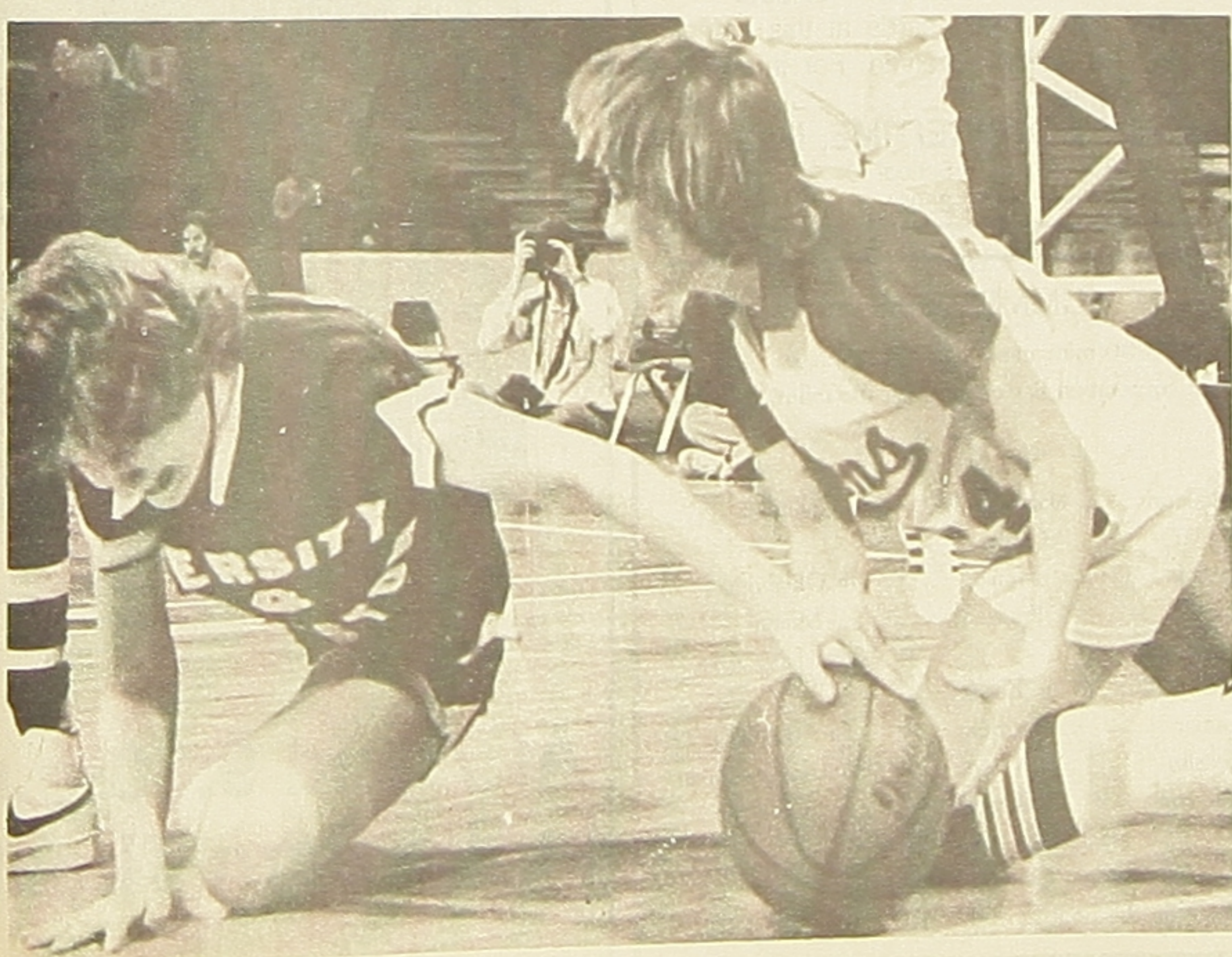
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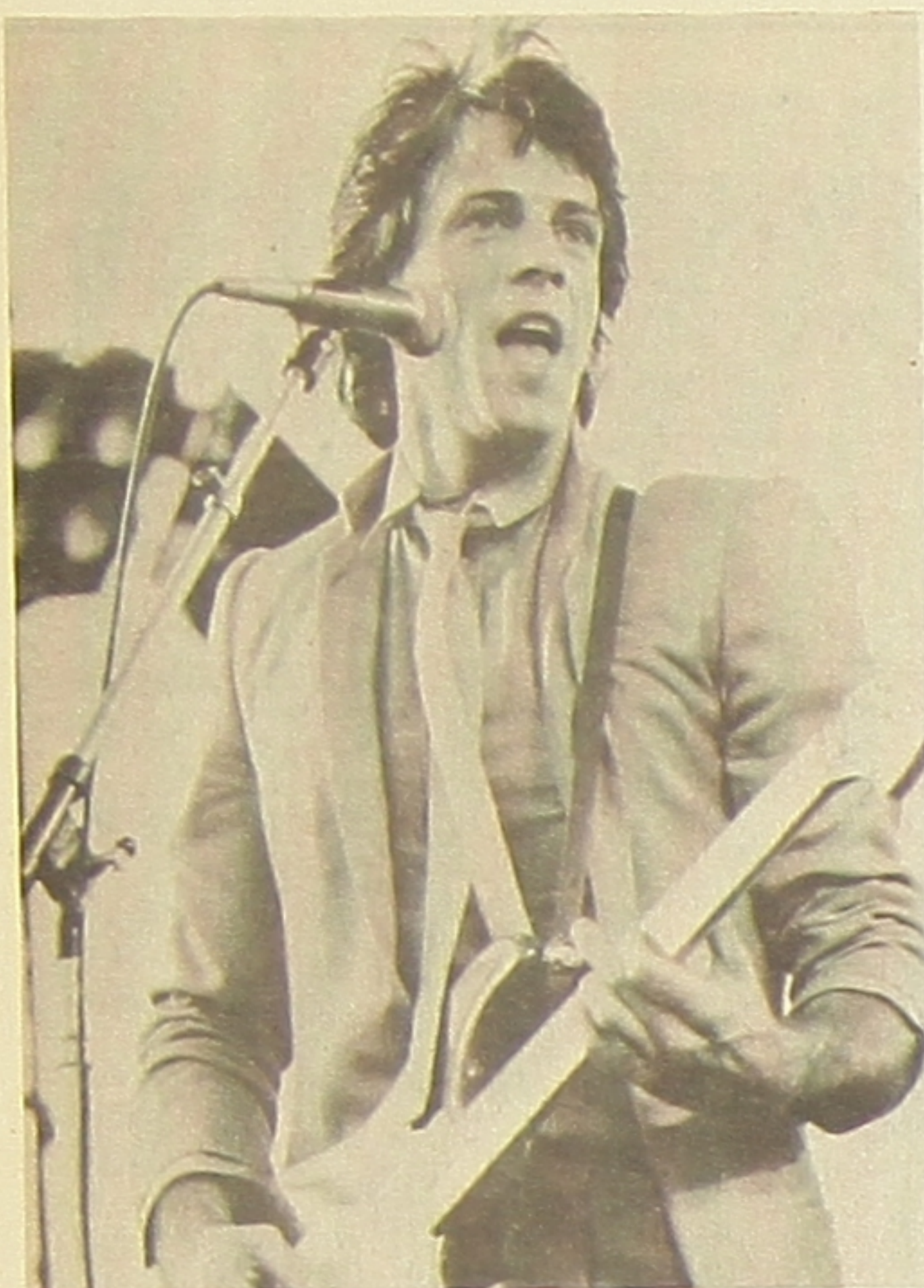
Tension runs high during tournament action as Coach Jim Phillips lobbies his point of view with the official (opposite page, top left). The smiles were missing and so was the championship banner (opposite page, bottom) as the Lady Lions receive their consolation awards. But the road to the finals brought celebration (above) and important sideline discussion between Coach Phillips and Kim Castillon (center). Aggressive play by Brenda Pitts (bottom left) brought her special tournament honors and three tournament records by No. 55, Pam Brisby (bottom right).



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The Arts



Rick Springfield

CAB to present Rick Springfield

Campus Activities Board announces Rick Springfield in concert, Saturday, April 17 at 8 p.m. in Joplin's Memorial Hall.

Tickets are on sale in Room 300 of Billingsly Student Center from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tickets go on sale to the public tomorrow for \$11. Student tickets are \$9 with IDs.

For Springfield, 1981 was a very good year. In that year, he was catapulted from relative obscurity to the status of a top recording star and idol of daytime television.

As an RCA Records rock-n-roll artist, Springfield's *Working Class Dog* album was a top 10, solid platinum smash that rode the nation's record charts longer than any other last year—a full 10 weeks.

The first single released by RCA was "Jessie's Girl." It became gold as it rocketed to the undisputed No. 1 spot. Next came "I've Done Everything for You" and it became another No. 1 hit. A third tune from the album, "Love is Alright Tonight," also bulletted its way to the top of the charts.

His latest album, *Success Hasn't Spoiled Me Yet*, is on its way up the charts with the single release "Don't Talk to Strangers."

Springfield has many awards under his belt. *Record World* magazine voted him "Top New Male Vocalist" and *Cashbox* magazine declared him "Number One Pop Single-Male for 1981." He also won a Grammy award for "Best Rock Male Vocal."

Currently, Springfield is starring as Dr. Noah Drake on the daytime television show *General Hospital*. *Seventeen Magazine* noted in April's issue that before signing for the television show, Springfield wondered how the role would affect those who knew him through his music.

He decided to go ahead, since the series has a huge college audience. Although he can't tour as much as he would like, the show introduces him to more people than he could ever play for live.

His first recognition in the United States came when a friend took his number one Australian hit recording, "Speak to the Sky," to Capitol Records in Hollywood. He signed a contract with Capitol and recorded "Beginnings," his first album. The single, released in the U.S., reached the top 15 in 1972.

"At this point, I was not in control of my career," he remembers.

He might have found his audience if he had been allowed to tour, but problems in securing an Immigration Service Green Card made that impossible. He traveled in Canada, France, Germany, and elsewhere just to get temporary visas that would allow him to stay in the U.S.

Meanwhile, his management moved his recording contract to Columbia who thought they were signing the teen idol portrayed in the media. His album for Columbia, *Comic Book Heroes*, was an expression of his growth as a musician and was, consequently, more progressive than his first.

He left Columbia and his management even though it was a wrenching experience that resulted in a legal tangle that left him without income and unable to record for anyone for three years.

"For the first time in my life I was out on my own with no means of support," he said. "It was the lowest point in my life."

For the next three years he continued to write, arrange and record his music at home in total obscurity. At the time, he pursued another love, acting. He put on a play with a friend and invited

friends, relatives, and all the agents they could find.

A representative from Universal Studios saw the play and signed him to a contract. He did guest appearances on such shows as *The Six Million Dollar Man*, *Wonder Woman*, and *Battlestar Galactica*.

As his career as an actor blossomed, he insured his musical development by continuing to write and record in his four-track home studio. The tapes found their way to RCA and he signed with the label in early 1980.

Now he finds his work very much in demand. He maintains a schedule that includes taping segments of *General Hospital*, rehearsing and touring with the band and a demanding schedule of public appearances.

His contract has been under negotiation recently and his departure from *General Hospital* is a possibility if looser terms cannot be arrived at.

"I like doing the show very much," he said, "but my music is the most important thing to me and I want more time for it. I also want to do films this year. And I want more time for myself, to have a life of my own."

Season finale scheduled

Missouri Southern's theatre department announced the final production for the 1981-82 season at Taylor Auditorium.

Billed as Family Theatre, the department will present two one-act plays, *Johnny Moonbeam* and *The Arkansaw Bear*. The productions have been specially prepared and staged to augment the series of seminars on living and dying that have been held on Southern's campus this year.

The two plays treat, in positive but varied ways, responses for young people to the trials of maturing into adults and the problems children face in dealing with the question of death in the family.

Johnny Moonbeam, by Joseph Golden, presents through American Indian legend the three great tests a young boy must endure to become a man in the eyes of his people and win the coveted silver arrow of manhood.

The Arkansaw Bear, by Aurand Harris, deals with the fears and questions children face about death through the search of the great dancing bear to find a suitable apprentice to inherit his abilities and talents.

Southern's theatre department is attempting to present a program of fine honest family entertainment in the combined showbill. "Something for the entire family to view together and share with each other," commented Duane Hunt and Sam Claussen, directors of the two plays.

"We hope that families with young children will particularly find the show of value," Hunt added.

Family Theatre will be performed at 8 p.m. each night April 22 through 25 and at 3 p.m. on April 24 and 25. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$1 for senior citizens and students.

Debators place fourth in nationals

Missouri Southern's debators, under the leadership of coach Dick Finton, picked up their 13th victory, placing fourth at the National Junior Division Debate Tournament held at Johnson County Community College in Overland Park, Kan.

Sophomore John Meredith and freshman Randy Doennig advanced to octo-finals with a 5-3 record to defeat Wyoming University. They lost in quarterfinals to Emporia State University to place fourth in the nation in junior division debate.

National Junior Varsity Debate Tournament is held for those students who are in their first two years of intercollegiate debate. 32 colleges and universities from 14

states participated in this year's tournament.

Adding to their winning record, the debators placed five in the Missouri Association of Forensic Activities State Tournament held in Point Lookout, Mo. Meredith and Doennig placed second in the state tournament and Aria Beck and Randy Fox placed third.

Individual debator speaking trophies were awarded to Greg Roller, first place in senior division; Doennig, first place in junior division and Meredith, third in junior division.

This is the fifth year in a row that Missouri Southern debators have placed in the top two positions at the state tournament.

Prior to state, the squad traveled to Southeastern State University in Durant, Okla., where the team of Beck and Fox placed second, losing to Central Oklahoma State in the final round.

Coach Dick Finton commented on the squad's performance. "The kids have just done super. Southeast Oklahoma is a very prestigious tournament and placing fourth at the national tournament is the best we have ever done. I couldn't have asked them to do any better."

This weekend, the squad travels to Columbia, Mo., to participate in the Pi Kappa Delta Tri-Province Forensic Tournament.

English, former Wings drummer, to give local clinic

Joe English, former member of Paul McCartney and Wings, will present a free drum clinic Friday, April 9 at 4:30 p.m. at Bob Massey Music, 215 E. 20th Street in Joplin.

English recorded on McCartney's most recent three albums. He played drums and sang back up vocals on the Wings Over

America tour. He also recorded several albums with Sea Level.

English now records on Refuge Records and has his own band. He is working on a second album that should be released soon.

His band, The Joe English Band, will be in concert Friday, April 9 at 8 p.m. in Joplin's Memorial Hall.

The band will perform most of the material from his first album, *Lights in the World*.

Special guest for the concert will be Russ Taff and band. Taff was formerly lead singer for the Imperials.

Taff won a Grammy Award this year for his work on the Imperials

album, *Priority*. This was Taff's second Grammy in the past three years.

Tickets for the concert are \$6 in advance and \$7 the day of the show. Tickets are available at Stereo Buff, Bob Massey Music, Scissors, Playworld and Memorial Hall.

Band schedules auditions for auxiliary groups

Auditions for auxiliary groups of the 1982 Lion Pride Band will be held from 10 a.m. until noon Saturday in the Phinney Recital Hall, M-222.

Auditions will be held to select rifle bearers, flag bearers, and dancers. "The Lion Pride is interested in enlarging the size of the

auxiliary groups," said Pete Have-ly, band director.

"These groups are a part of the Lion Pride Band and are featured throughout the shows," he added.

Judges for the audition will be Judy Pendergraft, Robin Bell, and Robin Law.

Routines for the audition will be taught during the audition by the captains of these groups, so there will be no need to have a routine prepared. Those selected will be chosen on how fast they learn the routines and how they perform them after seeing how they are done.

"Those selected will receive a band scholarship," stated Have-ly. "Results will be announced at the end of the auditions."

Women trying out for these positions should dress comfortably, preferably shorts, tops, and sneakers.

Piano ensemble to play tonight

An ensemble piano recital will be presented at 8 tonight in Phinney Recital Hall in the Fine Arts Center. The program will feature piano students of Robert Harris, assistant professor of music, who will perform with some of his students.

The program will include several works for four hands at one keyboard and selected movements from piano concerti in which Harris will assist at the second piano. Tandee Baldrige, voice major and student of Dr. Joe Sims, will perform two soprano solos. She will be

accompanied by The Collegiates, college choral group under the direction of Dr. Al Carnine, and by Jeff Ball and Mike Moyer at the pianos. Also included in the program is a duo for organ and piano to be performed by Sherrie Stinnett and Sandra Zentner.

The pianists are Pamela Russo, Sandra Zentner, Sherrie Stinnett, Judy Thompson, Sherrie Sanders, Joni Shepherd, Dawn Ellis, Debra Harper, Beth Barlet, and Rayla Bess.

There will be no admission charge.

MISSOURI CONSTITUTION TEST

For students who need to take the test on the Missouri Constitution, please observe the following schedule:

LECTURE
Friday, April 23rd, 3:00 p.m., H-324

TEST
Friday, April 30th, 3:00 p.m., H-324

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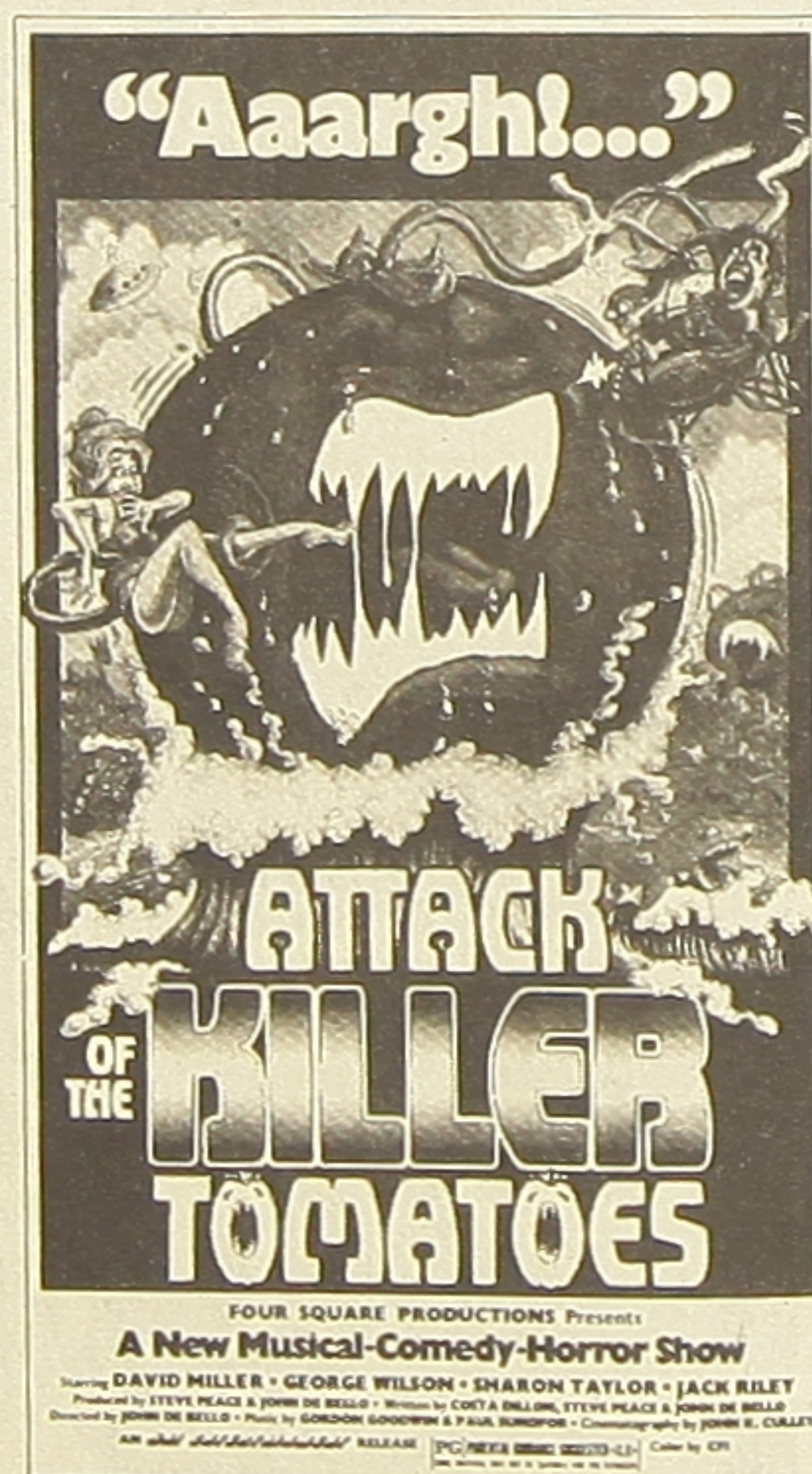
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